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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
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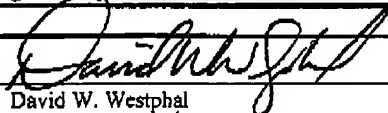
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- Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/21) - 1 page
- Response to Official Action of August 7, 2006 - 9 pages
- Fee Transmittal for FY 2006 - 2 pages
- Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) - 2 pages

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